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H. E. VAN DEMAN, Ex-U. S. Pomologist.

THE AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST,
Orange Judd Co., 52 and 54 Lafayette Place.

NEW YORK, July 11, 1894. Dear Sir.—The berries came to hand this morning and were in very fair condition. It seems like a solid, good colored and good quality fruit, of good size. Are you confident that it will out yield the Cuthbert? I should be glad to have the history of the berry—its origin, etc., and if possible, would like two or three plants next spring to test it here. Has it been disseminated? I do not remember to have heard of it before.

Sincerely yours, E. G. FOWLER.

Mr. Fowler was formerly associate editor of the Rural New Yorker, but is now connected with the American Agriculturist.

Office of THE FARM JOURNAL,
Editorial Department, Philadelphia, July 3, 1894.

Dear Sir.—We received in good order the little box of Miller Raspberries. They are certainly very large and fine. Have you been informed that we are intending to publish next winter a berry book? It would not be a bad idea for you to have a painting or photograph made of the berry and furnish us with information concerning it. Yours truly, WILMER ATKINSON CO.

PHILADELPHIA, July 4, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your letter received. We think without exception you have sent us the finest red raspberries we have handled, and yesterday while all Queens were soft, your Miller was firm and hard.

SMITH & MILLER, Produce and Commission Merchants.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 13, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your raspberry called the Miller is the best raspberry that ever came to this market, for color and size. Their keeping qualities have never been equaled, as I have found that they are as firm after twenty-four hours standing as the general run of raspberries are at picking. Yours, THOS. H. TOWNSEND, Commission Merchant.

PHILADELPHIA, July, 1894. Dear Sir.—The Miller Raspberry, which we have handled for you this season, we consider an excellent berry; surpassed by none in size, flavor and durability in shipping. We would recommend the cultivation of this variety, as it cannot but prove a very profitable undertaking for the grower. Respectfully,

J. P. MOYER & CO., Wholesale Commission Merchants.

PHILADELPHIA, July 5. 1894. Dear Sir.—The red raspberries we have been handling for you, called the Miller, we have found to give the best satisfaction to our trade of any berry we have handled this season. They have been of good color, very large and firm, and we always had them engaged on arrival. Every one who has bought them of us has praised them very highly and has engaged them ahead. We have always been able to get from two to four cents per quart more for them than any of the other berries we have handled at same time. Wishing you success with your berries, we remain, Yours,

DENNEY & WRIGHT, Commission Merchants.

BRIDGEVILLE, DEL., July 26. 1894. Dear Sir.—I have seen the Miller Raspberry fruiting in a six-acre field side by side with Queen of the Market and Thompson's Early Prolific. It is as early as Thompson's, larger than Queen, and the firmest red I ever saw; does not crumble or drop from the bunches if not picked more than three times a week; is firm and all right; holds its color better than any red I ever saw, and the most productive of any, even surpassing the well known Queen. The first picking was on the 11th of June and they are still picking today. Yours, GEO. W. WILLIN.

Grower and Dealer in Fruits.

SEAFORD, DEL., July 28, 1894.—I have known the Miller Raspberry for ten years, having seen it when first known here, and recommended it as a splendid berry to the gentleman having it. The berry has now made its own reputation in this section and everyone wants it that is engaged in raspberry culture. The chief characteristics of the plant are that it is a vigorous and hardy grower, a good bearer, earlier than Cuthbert, a splendid shipper, retaining its color and solidity longer than any other red berry, and with our people, has been the most profitable. E. L. MARTIN,

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BRIDGEVILLE, DEL., August 3, 1894.—I am satisfied the Miller Red Raspberry is the most profitable grown. I carefully examined it and other varieties side by side and I consider it, without doubt, more productive and better in every respect. Shipping qualities unsurpassed. P. L. CANNON,

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